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In re Patent Application of:  
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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on December 19, 2006 and in accordance with Rules 115, 142, and 143 of the Rules of Practice, please enter and consider the following Remarks and Amendments. This Response is accompanied by a Petition for Extension of Time, requesting that the time period for responding to the Official Action be extended for a period of two (2) months, from January 19, 2007 up to and including March 19, 2007. An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) accompanies this Response as well as a check in the amount of \$450.00 for payment of the estimated Extension Fee.

It is believed that no additional fees are required for this submission. However, should the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determine any fee is required and/or that any refund is owed for this application, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge the required fee(s) and/or credit the refund(s) due to Deposit Account No. 04-0100 of the Applicants' undersigned attorneys/agents.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.